

## SIGHTINGS IN FINLAND

### Humanoids in Längelmävesi?

At the end of August 1945 I was staying in a sauna lying at the shore of Längelmävesi in Kangasala parish. My friend, Mrs. K. was away on a trip. It was a lovely summer morning, the lake was smooth as glass when I awoke before five o'clock in the morning. I was lying the head turned away from the window and noticed a stream of light under the edge of the roof all around the room. I thought someone was walking in front of the sauna with a torch in hand, and looking in through the window. As the curtains were down, I did not know that it was already morning before looking at my watch. Very seldom someone was there on the move so early, and I was slightly afraid being alone, as the nearest dwelling was one kilometre from the sauna. But I was curious about the light and raised the curtain. There were no limits to my astonishment, I really was shocked. From the shore of Sahalahti lying at approx. 4 kilometre distance a dazzling bright fire ball of the colour of the sun, 10 metres in diameter, was approaching the sauna at a dizzy speed. Overcome by fear I threw myself down on my back to the floor to wait for the "end", for I was sure that on taking off it would have swept the sauna to the ground. The ball soared over the lake surface. It could surely not be farther than 200-300 metres from the sauna, as it already hid the whole scenery - also the small islands - from view.

When nothing happened I stood up after a few minutes to watch again the phenomenon. The ball of fire had by now disappeared. The beautiful scenery was again visible, but I was surprised to see that at about 300 metre distance a two metre long, dark "log"-like object was slowly sliding in the water and approaching the shore.



Now I was no more afraid , but very surprised indeed. I then noticed just below the window two metres from the pier a strange-looking grey animal in grip of terror. It was stuck fast to the ground of his nails. It suddenly turned his head aside and I saw that its sharp teeth were grinning in the open mouth. The animal was just like a round ball with all the hair standing on end. I presumed it was neighbour`s big Lapp dog.

Now the "log" had come near the pier, and I saw that it was a narrow boat resembling a canoe. A tall man of slender build was standing in the prow. The man was wearing a green coverall. When the boat was just in front of the pier, it turned to the left, so I could see that in its aft another man in overalls was steering the machine which was inside a big glass bulb. I took a look at the dog and saw that apparently it was no more frightened, as it was running away. I did not hear any whirring of motor whatsoever, nor splashing of billows, but I saw quite a deep wake in the water.

At that time the Finnish press did not publish news on ufos, nor did people talk about them, so I was quite perplexed at what I saw. Feeling extremely weak I went again to bed, instead of continuing to observe where the boat was going. Perhaps I could have seen the fire ball returning to the sky. Perhaps I would not have got the shock, had I known something of these things. Later I have seen these so-called fire balls (ufos) in the sky, but evenings and they were as big as a football.

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#### A SAUCER OVER LAMUJÄRVI - A MOTHER SHIP IN OTANIEMI

Carpenter NN from Nivala relates his sighting which took place on

4th October, 1963:

"At the shore of Lamujärvi in Pyhäntä parish I was building a summer cottage for a cattle dealer. I was quite alone. On an evening I was fishing. The sky was heavily overcast, and I assumed it was a proper weather for angling. It was quite calm, and the lake surface did not billow, the clouds were very low, but it did not rain. And behold, a thing like a wash basin or saucer made of stainless steel descended from the clouds. It did not do anything special, just came down close to the lake surface where it hovered for some time. The thing then rose again to the clouds, and vanished from sight. I just looked at the saucer, and thought that again a smart guy has built a fine airplane. It must, in fact, be admitted that I was quite scared, for everything could have happened. It was 20 metre wide, though it is difficult to estimate distances in the calm surface of the lake, but I am sure that it was hovering at about 200 metre distance from me and that the lake surface was bubbling or billowing underneath the saucer. I did not see any humanoids. That the lake is situated in quite a desert place, the nearest neighbour living 10 kilometres away."

Below we are reporting another sighting made by the same carpenter in 1954:

"I paid a visit to my brother living in Otaniemi at about the time of Whitsunday. I was alone in his home while my brother's family was in work. I was offering a sugar bit to a tame squirrel through an open window when I saw in the sky a red object resembling a pensil sharpened on its other end. The object was neither an



aeroplane nor a missile, and it moved very slowly at an altitude of several kilometres. The object had neither wings nor tail, but it always remained high in the sky. I could discern something like windows on it, perhaps it was a Zeppelin, an airship. I heard a rattling sound like a motor cycle at full speed, but I was not sure about it, as the noise of the traffic in Helsinki could quite easily be heard. But it seemed as if the voice would come from the flying object. I still can see the thing and the impression will remain in my memory. I told about it to my brother who asserted firmly that I ought to have informed the police or other persons of its appearance. It was visible at least five minutes moving very slowly from the north to the south. The telephone was beside me on a table, but the time passed so fast while looking at the phenomenon. THIS IS TRUE."

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